ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 96.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Good

Improvement Rating

2001 2002

2003

Below Average

2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Advanced







Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=249)	83.1	71.9	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=22)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=227)	83.3	73.6		
Gender				
Male (n=140)	79.3	70.7		
Female (n=109)	88.1	73.4		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=64)	68.8	53.1		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=182)	87.9	79.1		
Other (n=1)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=152)	76.3	63.2		
Pay for lunch (n=97)	93.8	85.6		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$6,447	N/A	\$5,222	\$5,347
 Prime instructional time 	89.8%	Up from 89.5%	90.1%	90.2%
 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 	18.3 to 1	N/A	18.3 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=477)				
Attendance Rate	96.4%	Up from 96.1%	96%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	11.6%	N/A	4%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve 	10% I	N/A	3.1%	3.1%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	97%	Up from 95.7%	96.7%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	6%	Down from 7%	3.9%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=37)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	7.4 Days	Down from 8	7.4 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	94.5%	Down from 95.1	% 95.1%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	45.9%	Up from 45.7%	45.5%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	83.8%	Down from 85.7	% 85.2%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	2.7%	Up from 0%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	89.1%	Up from 84.7%	88.5%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$37,937	Up 4.8%	\$37,124	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
0	ur School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	68.4%	N/A	65.6%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	14	N/A	4	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	99%	N/A	95.3%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	52.6%	Up from 34.6%	45.5%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
Older than usual for grade	3.4%	Up from 0.3%	1.3%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	0	N/A	1	1
 Gifted and talented 	21.4%	Up from 11.1%	10.4%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	8%	No change	8.6%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Jefferson Elementary has just completed the first year of a two-year renovation project. The students, faculty, and parents have worked extra hard to guarantee that learning not be diminished by the upheaval of progress.

We are very proud that 97% of our first-grade students met the English/language arts standards on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) and 91.28% met the

standards in math. PACT scores for all grade levels showed great improvement and exceeded both the district and state results, with some areas increasing as much as 21%

One of our third graders won the Aiken Regional Medical Center's countywide art contest and a fifth grader won the countywide Memorial Day essay contest sponsored by the Marine Corps League.

Jefferson students made remarkable accomplishments in reading, encouraged by participation in the Accelerated Reading (AR) Program. 44,152 books were checked out of the media center. The average number of books checked out by each student in grades 1-5 was 102 for the year. Over 140 students earned over 100 AR points.

In spite of the extremely busy year, we are proud to announce that Jefferson earned its 10-year accreditation renewal from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools this year. This is the result of many long hours of hard work by our students, faculty, staff, parents, PTO, and School Improvement Council.

LaWana R. McKenzie, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents		
Satisfied with learning environment	82.8	82.7	(Avail. 2002)		
Satisfied with social and physical environment	86.2	91.5			
Satisfied with home-school relations	57.1	91.5			

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Jefferson Elementary 170 Flint Drive Bath, SC 29816

Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 477 Students



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Annual School	2001
Report Card	2001

School Grade: Good

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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